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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 CFR 1.136(a), to Sir: extend the time for response to the Office action dated December 13, 1999. This extension will extend the time the response is due from March 13, 2000 to May 13, 2000.

- A two month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$380.00. X
- A check in the amount of \$380.00 is attached. X
- Charge \$380.00 to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket
- If a paper is untimely filed in the above-referenced application by applicant or his/her representative, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 3' CFR 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper 区 his/her representative, the Assistant Community of the Market and paper of the Market and Paper of the CFR 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper of CFR 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time is made under the provisions timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions timely.

of this paragraph, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952**. However, the Assistant Commissioner is NOT authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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